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**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name;

I believe that I am the original, sole and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**PASSIVE FREESTANDING PORTABLE LIQUID FILTRATION DEVICE**

the specification of which is attached hereto;

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I hereby appoint:

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of the firm CHAUZA & HANDLEY, L.L.P., my attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and to file and prosecute any international patent applications based thereon in any foreign country or before any international authorities under the Patent Cooperation Treaty.

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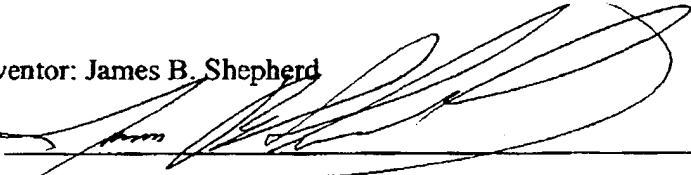
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: PASSIVE FREESTANDING PORTABLE LIQUID FILTRATION  
DEVICE

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Dear Sir:

**APPOINTMENT OF POWER OF ATTORNEY  
AND STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)**

The undersigned Assignee hereby revokes all previous powers of attorney or  
authorizations of agent in the above-identified patent application:

The following attorneys are hereby appointed to prosecute and transact all business in the  
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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)**

The Assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the above-identified patent application hereby seeks to take action in the Patent and Trademark Office in this matter. The Assignee is THE JAMES BRYSON SHEPHERD TRUST, having a mailing address of PO Box 201411, Arlington, Texas 76006-1411.

I, James Bryson Shepherd, Trustee, the person signing below, state that I am empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the Assignee.

Ownership of the above-identified patent application by the Assignee is established by an Assignments from the inventor(s) which is attached hereto.

THE JAMES BRYSON SHEPHERD TRUST



(Signature of Authorized Person)

James Bryson Shepherd, Trustee

2/27/04  
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